



## **ATTACHMENT A**

### **Remarks**

Claims 15 and 22-26 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) while claim 17 has been "objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim," but has been indicated to be "allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims." In order to expedite the prosecution, claim 15 has been amended to include the subject matter of claim 17 and thus claim 15 is now allowable. Further, claims 22-26, which depend from amended claim 15, are also now allowable.

Accordingly, allowance of the application in its present form is respectfully solicited.

**END REMARKS**